REMARKS

Applicant has amended the specification by inserting headings as appropriate and by revising the abstract to a form more conventional in this country. Applicant has also amended the claims to put them in better form for examination in the United States and to reduce fees by eliminating multiple dependency. No new matter has been added, nor has the claim scope been narrowed by these amendments.

Early action allowing claims 1-6 is solicited.

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